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SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPOSITION OF NEW GOVERNMENT

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1. THE END OF THE FIRST WEEK OF FEB HAS COME AND GONE BUT
IN SPITE OF HIS "SOLEMN DECLARATION" OF JAN 29, PRES LAMIZANA
HAS NOT ANNOUNCED THE COMPOSITION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT.
NO OFFICIAL EXPLANATION HAS BEEN GIVEN BUT MOST OBSERVERS
BELIEVE THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE
CONCLUSION OF THE FIFTH AFRICAN FILM FESTIVAL WHICH IS PRESENTLY
TAKING PLACE IN OUAGA AND WHICH HAS BROUGHT A LARGE NUMBER
OF FOREIGN VISITORS TO THE CITY. THE FESTIVAL IS TO LAST

THRU FEB 10.

2. COMMENT: WE HAVE HEARD RUMORS THAT THE PRESIDENT IS
HAVING DIFFICULTIES GETTING A NEW TEAM TOGETHER AND
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THAT SEVERAL CIVILIANS WHO HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SERVE IN THE

NEW GOVERNMENT HAVE TURNED DOWN THE OFFER.

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